Amendments to the Claims

Please amend claims as follows.

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 (Currently Amended) An apparatus for generating computer assembly code, comprising:

an abstract routine generator for receiving a data stream comprising a multimedia routine and for outputting a generic abstract representation thereof during runtime; and

a translator for said abstract routine generator for receiving said abstract representation and for outputting processor specific code <u>translated from said abstract</u> representation for processing multimedia input data during said runtime.

- 10 2. (original) The apparatus of Claim 1, where in said abstract routine generator builds an abstract routine during runtime.
 - 3. (original) The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein said abstract routine generator builds an abstract routine in the form of a graph.
 - 4. (original) The apparatus of Claim 1 wherein said multimedia data comprise SIMD input data.
- 5. (original) The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein said multimedia data comprise image20 input data.

- 6. (original) The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein said multimedia data comprise audio input data.
- 7.(original) The apparatus of Claim 3, wherein said graph is input to said translator.

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- 8.(original) The apparatus of Claim 3, wherein the output of said translator is in assembly code.
- 9. (original) The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein said translator's configuration can be10 changed by use of a dynamic library link.
 - 10. (original) The apparatus of Claim 1, wherein said processor-specific code performs any of the operations of add, sub, multiply, average, maximum, minimum, compare, and, or, xor, pack, unpack, and merge on said input data.

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- 11. (original) The apparatus of Claim 3, wherein said graph is a function of any of source block, target block, change in the block, color, stride, change in stride, display block, and spatial filtering.
- 20 12. (Currently amended) A method for generating assembly code, comprising:

providing an abstract routine generator for generating a generic abstract representation of an input stream, and input comprising multimedia a routine during runtime, said input stream comprising a multimedia routine; and

providing a translator for receiving said abstract representation from said abstract routine generator and for outputting processor-specific code <u>translated from said abstract representation</u> during said runtime for processing multimedia input data during said runtime.

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- 13. (original) The method of Claim 12, wherein said abstract routine generator builds the abstract routine during runtime.
- 14. (original) The method of Claim 13, wherein said abstract routine is a graph.

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- 15. (original) The method of Claim 12, wherein said multimedia input data comprise SIMD data.
- 16. (original) The method of Claim 12, said multimedia input data comprise image data.

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- 17. (original) The method of Claim 12, wherein said multimedia input data comprise audio data.
- 18. (original) The method of claim 14, wherein said graph is input to said translator.

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19. (original) The method of claim 12, wherein the output of said translator is assembly code.

- 20. (original) The method of Claim 12, wherein said processor-specific code performs any of the operations of add, sub, multiply, average, maximum, minimum, compare, and, or, xor, pack, unpack, and merge on said multimedia input data.
- 21. (original) The method of Claim 14, wherein said graph is a function of any of source block, target block, change in the block, color, stride, change in stride, display block, and spatial filtering.
- 22. (original) The method of Claim 12, wherein said translator can be changed by useof a dynamic library link.